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Phosphorus Mining.—Male and Female Salt.—Mind in Animals.—Raphia Wax. — A Bird Globe Trotter.—Tennis Disease.—A Pinhole Eye-glass.—Protective Mimicry—Ballast from the Air.—Lamp Carbons for Photography.

The making of phosphorus is an industry likely to be revolutionized by the electric furnace. This substance has been obtained from bones, but it is now possible to extract it from natural phosphates, and some experiments have been made with phosphoric and apatite. Quite recently sufficient wavelite—a rather rare aluminum phosphate—has been discovered near Holly Springs, Pa., to justify mining for phosphorus ore. The work was begun several years ago, and in 1905 the mine produced 400 tons of ore, which was reduced in the operating company's own furnaces. The annual production of phosphorus has been variously estimated at 1000 to 3000 tons for the world. The chief factory is at Oldbury, England, but there are large ones at Lyons, France, and at Griesheim and Frankfort, Germany, with one small one in Sweden and others in Russia.

The "male" and "female" salt that are mixed for use by natives near the Athara River, in the Sudan, have been given a scientific explanation by a chemist of Khartum. The "male" salt is made unfit for table use by a large proportion of sodium sulphate (Glauber's salt), and the "female" salt has much calcium chloride, but when the two are mixed the two impurities form calcium sulphate and increase the sodium chloride. The calcium sulphate can be separated out by boiling.

Evidence of a mind in all animals, even the lowest, is found by F. W. Hendley. The amoeba exercises the power of choice when it eats, and the tree-like colony of one-celled infusorians called zoothamnium after a time ceases to be agitated by jars repeated at intervals, showing that it must remember that a jar is harmless. A variety of wax from the Rappia Kuffia, a Madagascar plant, has been recommended as a cheap substitute for beeswax, as it can be obtained in considerable quantities, the plant yielding about ten per cent of it as a secondary product in the manufacture of Rappia fibers. The new wax has been examined by M. A. Haller of Paris. He reports it to be light brown in color, becoming pinkish when distilled, and to be almost insoluble in cold alcohol, benzene, chloroform and other organic solvents, but most easily dissolved in hot benzene. It seems to have the composition of luzernol, a wax found by M. Etard in the leaves of wheat and other grains, though it differs in having a melting point of 176 degrees F. instead of 163 degrees.

Before the recent Scotia Expedition, nine species of birds had been found within the Antarctic Circle. The new collection has been investigated, and Mr Eagle Clarke reports that it adds to the list four species—the Arctic tern, the blue petrel the short-winged petrel, and Hutton's sooty albatross. While the petrels and their relatives are doubtless drawn so far south by the extraordinary abundance of the food near the ice-barrier, it is thought to be most remarkable that the Arctic tern, after breeding in the north, should make the long journey to the opposite pole. In the new disease known as "tennis elbow," there is usually local tenderness on pressure, with acute pain on extending the arm. There is seldom any swelling. The trouble is thought to be due to tearing of the muscular fiber, and it is very persistent, often recurring even after long rest.

The pinhole as a substitute for a lens in photography is well known, and now it has been discovered that a card pricked with an ordinary toilet pin may enable one to read when the glasses have been mislaid. The best effect is lost if there are two or more holes or if the one hole is too large.

Perhaps the most remarkable known demonstration of mimicry—the singular alteration of certain animals to the appearance of other animals objects, usually assumed to be Nature's means of protection,—has been brought to the notice of the London Royal Society by Prof. Poulton. The specimens were from a Durban naturalist, who in 1906 succeeded in breeding from a single butterfly fourteen male and fourteen female butterflies. The latter were differentiated into three distinct types, which mimicked the external form of totally different poisonous varieties common to South Africa, and in fact showed all the forms

which the special genus is known to assume.

Control of the ballast is one of the great essentials in ballooning. A novel plan for increasing the load while still in the air consists in exposing water-absorbing chemicals to the damp atmosphere, and this was tried recently in a balloon journey of 185 miles from Berlin. The trial made under the direction of Dr. Knochs of the Meteorological Institute, seems to have been quite successful.

Special arc-lamp carbons are made by August Kufferath, a German inventor, by treating ordinary carbons with a solution containing from one-half to one per cent of a mixture of equal parts of nitrate of yttrium and nitrate of lead. No change is apparent, while the amount of light remains the same. The character of the light is changed, however, and it becomes especially rich in violet rays, with considerably increased actinic power.

The new three-wheeled motor fire engine of Nuremberg, Germany, employs steam for propelling and for turning the propelling gear being on the front wheel. Both liquid carbonic acid and benzine are used in starting and quickly getting up steam.

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### THE NASHVILLE HOMICIDE.

Henry Daniels, a well known resident of Nashville, was shot and almost instantly killed by Ted Penter last Saturday night. Daniels went to Penter's cabin about half-past eight and said, "Ted, you son of a b—, come out, I want to see you." There was no reply, and Daniels proceeded to kick down the door. He broke the door open, stepped inside, still calling Penter vile names; there was a shot, and Daniels reeled out of the door and died about 75 feet from the house. Penter remained in the house, and was arrested by sheriff Cook a few hours later.

Penter and Daniels have been partners in taking care of or leasing some property at Nashville owned by J. C. Heald. Daniels is a half-blood Indian, the son of Stephen K. Daniels, who married an Indian woman at Nashville years ago and left a large family. His age was about 32, and he was one of the most powerful men in the county, his height being over six feet and his weight more than 200 pounds without superfluous flesh. He a miner, and was assisted in winning many drilling contests. Penter is an older man, and not a match for the other in physique. He is registered as Edward Penter.

These men went to El Dorado in Mr Heald's buggy a few days before the shooting. Both became intoxicated before they started home. On the way Daniels lost his hat, and there being some dispute about whether they should go back to find it, Daniels threw Penter out of the buggy and went back to search for the hat. He upset the buggy, and caused some damage to it which he had repaired afterwards at Diamond Springs. Later on J. C. Haald arrived, and noted the repairs, blaming the men somewhat for carelessness. After that Daniels quarreled with Penter about the accident, accusing him of telling Heald that Daniels had broken the buggy, and Penter denying that he was making such reports to Heald. It is said that during this dispute Daniels struck Penter. At any rate on Saturday Daniels was at a saloon at the Bay State mine, between Plymouth and Nashville, and became intoxicated. He then came over to Padilla's place, a mile or so the other side of Nashville, on the road to El Dorado, where the found Penter. They drank wine, and Daniels again abused Penter about the buggy, struck him and dragged him away.

Penter left Padilla's, went to Nashville and got a rifle and revolver, saying that he would kill Daniels if the latter molested him. He then went to his cabin, near the school-house, on the edge of Nashville. Daniels heard that Penter was making threats, and started to find him. Two of his friends, Ed Hart and John Varozza, tried to persuade him to desist. He refused to stop, and they followed him. They heard him call Penter at the cabin, and noticed the latter's light go out. They heard Daniels kick the door down, then heard the shot. They saw him come out of the cabin, and when they reached him and struck a match he was gasping in the last agonies. A 45-caliber pistol ball had entered the left arm, just below the point of the shoulder, and had emerged near the right arm pit, passing entirely through the chest in the region of the heart. Daniels was bleeding at both mouth and nose when they found him.

They left the body where it was, and telephoned for the officers. When the officers, sheriff Cook and deputy Hand, arrived they found a group of people on the hillside awaiting developments. They had kept away from Penter's cabin, fearing that he would shoot under the supposition that he was attacked. The officers went to the cabin and hailed Penter, who made no resistance as soon as he heard they were officers, and they brought him to Placerville.

Penter is from Amador county, his people living just below Plymouth years ago. Daniels leaves a wife and five children.

The coroner's jury heard the testimony of Hart and Varozza, and rendered a verdict that Penter shot and killed the deceased in self-defense. The jurors were William Shaw, D. C. Wickham, C. G. Celio, Oliver Hart, O. B. Penasely, Wm. J. Hart, Thos. J. Higgins, David C. Polkinborne and James H. Franklin.

Like the Georgetown case, this trouble arises out of intoxicating liquors. There will probably be no trial, as it seems clear that Penter was justified in shooting under the circumstances. No arms were found on Daniels or about the premises, and he never was in the habit of going armed as he relied on his great strength and activity to carry him through his quarrels. It is supposed that he intended, in his drunken fury, to beat Penter again for having threatened to shoot him.

The district attorney, on examining the premises the next day, found the bullet which had passed through Daniels' body lying on the floor of the house, so the evidence seems conclusive that he was shot inside, after breaking the door down to reach Penter.

Penter was discharged from custody Wednesday morning.—El Dorado Republican.

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### THE SOUL OF WIT.

Brevity has been the marked characteristic of many happy retorts. What could be more crushing, more grimly witty, than the reply attributed to Talleyrand "on an occasion when a certain notorious personage ill and in great pain said that he was suffering the torments of the lost. Swiftly came the wicked retort "Deja"—already?

Of different complexion but equally exemplifying the soul of wit was the reply, which has been attributed to various painters to a questioner who wished to know the vehicle with which the painter mixed his colors. Dr. John Brown tells the story of Opie. "Pray, Mr Opie, may I ask what you mix your colors with?" said a brisk dilettante student to the great painter. With grain, sir," was the gruff reply—and the right one."

Single-word replies, more or less witty, says the London Globe, are fairly common. A patient whom the famous Dr. Abernethy had advised to take a walk on an empty stomach calmly replied, "Whose?"

A recent example was the answer of the late Dean Hole to a boring Cockney fellow-traveler on the Great Northern railway. "What comes after 'Itchin'?" asked the bore. "Scratchin'," came the swift retort, and thereafter the conversation flagged.

Many brief and telling replies are laid to the account of Douglas Jerrold. It will suffice to recall one. "What's going on?" said a bore, stopping Jerrold in the street. "I am," and the speaker suited the action to the word.

Akin to this was the answer of John Wesley to the blustering swaggerer who pushed against him on the path, with the insulting remark, "I never make way for a fool." "I always do," said Wesley, quietly stepping aside, and then placidly pursuing his way.

Brief and witty was the reply of a Catholic cleric to an opponent in argument who had declared his disbelief in purgatory. "You might go farther and tar worse," was the ecclesiastic's parting shot.

The wit of more than one of Mr. Johnson's crushing retorts was enhanced by brevity, but examples are too familiar to be quoted. Johnson came down like a sledge-hammer on Scotland and things Scottish. Less familiar, perhaps, is the retort in which a Scotsman scored. An Englishman in Scotland was abusing the country, complaining of the state of the larder and wondering where he could get less to eat.

"I could tell ye a place whaur ye wad get less," said a Scot, who was listening to the tirade. "Where's that?" asked the other.

"Oh, just whaur an Englishman's been!" said the Scotsman dryly.

Brevity as the soul of wit is exemplified in many popular sayings. Wit is by no means an inevitable ingredient in proverbs. Many of them are of doubtful sense, and some are foolish, yet there is a certain spice. The definition of proverbs by Howell as "Sayings which combine sense, shortness and salt," is in the main true. Though truth may be altogether absent and wit barely perceptible, yet there must be a certain "salt," which gives life and savor to the saying.

It would be difficult to find sayings more telling than some of the shortest—such, for instance, as "forewarned, forearmed," "Extremes meet," or the ancient "inter malleum et incubam" (Between the hammer and the anvil). Many sayings which in English are short were briefer still in their original classical form.

That the soul of wit was exemplified most strikingly among the Greeks is only what we should expect.

It is curious to remember that our word "laconic" preserves the memory of the reputation for conciseness of speech borne by the people of one part of Greece—the Laconians or Spartans. When Philip of Macedon threatened them. "If I enter Laconia I will level your city to the dust," they made the famous reply, "it."

### Nothing Mean About Him,

Harry Laughlin told at an exhibition game in Toledo a billiards story.

"Once when I had my own parlor in Columbus," he said, "I was a good deal disturbed by the loss of chalk. Chalk disappeared at a tremendous rate, and I said to my keeper:

"Keep a better eye on the chalk, Jim. I'm no millionaire."

"I know the guets wot pocket the chalk, Mr Laughlin," Jim said, "but they're regular customers. I guess you wouldn't want me to offend 'em, would you?"

"Well, no, said I, 'I wouldn't. You might give them a gentle hint, though. 'Use your diplomacy.'

"Jim I, found out later, used his diplomacy that night. He walked up to one of my best patrons who had just pocketed a piece of chalk and he said:

"You're in the milk business, ain't you, sir?" "Yes. Why?" the patron asked.

"I thought so," said Jim, "from the amount of chalk you carry away. The boss likes enterprise, and he told me to tell you that if you wanted a bucket of water now and then you could have one, and welcome."—Chicago Chronicle.

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### HOME.

In none of the ancient languages, nor in those of modern times aside from the English, is there a word expressing the ideas and associations which are aroused at the sound of the simple "home." Yet heart reaching word "home." Even the Greeks, whose language was the most forceful, expressive and flexible of all spoken speech, had no word which conveyed the meaning understood by us when home is mentioned. Their word, and also the Latin word, simply means a house or domicile, a place to stay or sleep, but the indefinable something or combination of things which instantly occur to an Englishman or American when "home" is mentioned were wholly unknown to these ancient people. The German "heim" is too general to have any particular value, and their "haus" refers to a building of some kind or other. The same is true of the Italian and Spanish "casa," and the Russian "doma," as well as the corresponding words in other languages of modern Europe. A Frenchman once translated Cardinal Newman's hymn, "Lead, kindly light," and in his hands the beautiful line, "The night is dark and I am far from home," became "La nuit est sombre, et Je suis loin de mon foyer," the translator having been obliged to use for "home" the French word which describes the green-room of a theater.

When an American farmer, after a protracted absence, starts to return "home," he does not think of it as simply a domicile, a place to stop at. The word means to him far more. His affections, his aspirations, his whole being are touched and wrought upon by the visions in a whole panorama, the farm and its adjuncts, the lowing cattle, the barking dogs, the cackling chickens, all the sights and sounds made familiar to him by long association. In the center of it all is a figure called "mother," without which "home" in the real sense cannot exist. It is because of the peculiar regard bestowed upon woman among the English-speaking people, the estimation in which she is held, the deep respect and almost reverence felt for her that "home" as we know it becomes possible. It is impossible among any people who look on woman as an inferior, a drudge, a mere convenience, a chattel. No polygamous people, of course, can have any conception of "home" in its best sense. The languages in which the Bible was originally written, the Hebrew, the Aramaic, the Greek, the Arabic, the Assyrian and Egyptian, had no word meaning "home," because the writers and the people written about had no conception of its meaning. Women were degraded, little better than slaves or mere breeders; they were bought and sold like cattle, never consulted in business affairs, were in no sense true wives.

In this great fact of "home" lies the superiority of the people who enjoy it and know full well what it means. It is the center, the unit, the hub around which everything revolves, from which everything of national good flows. There can be no great people, no great nation without its inspiration. "Home, Sweet Home," the song which so touches the universal heart of this country, could not have been written in any language except English, would have been impossible to a Greek, Latin, French or Spanish poet. "The Old Folks at Home" is meaningless except to the people of happy America. Search the poetry of the ancient world, the songs and psalms of the Hebrews, the lily regular lyrics of the Greeks, the graceful pentameters of the Romans, the ricocheting iambs of the French, the ponderous periods of the Germans, and you will find nothing equal to the simple melodies which convey to an American audience the full significance of the endearing memories that cluster around the word "home."

### LANCHA PLANA.

Stockton Record Correspondence.

June 6.—Harry Goudie of the Penn. Chemical Works, spent Sunday with friends in the Julian district.

R. W. Barrett has taken his largest band of cattle to the mountains, where he has a range above West Point.

Early on Sunday morning, the pipe line over the Mokelumne river at this point was put out of commission again, by having three sections carried out by the high water. This is a serious loss, both to the ditch owner and gardeners who have been anxiously waiting for the water. In consequence Camanche is a "dry town."

The loganberry harvest is now on, and a number of pickers are busy at the various ranches, where this berry is grown. The crop is pronounced above the average.

Mr Price of Texas, has been visiting with his cousin, W. Early of Lancha Plana.

A. Van Sandt sustained a rather serious injury last week by being thrown from his horse, receiving such a severe shock that he has been compelled to remain in bed for a number of days.

The Mokelumne river has been exceedingly high for some days, and the snow is melting fast in the mountains.

James Lucas is making regular trips to Jackson, Sutter and other Amador towns, where a ready market is found for loganberries.

Lester Adams has taken a trip to the mountains and expects to be gone one week.

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## From Our Exchanges

In an unknown manner, an Italian by the name of James Tobacchi fell into the shaft of the Old Mine at Camp Seco at 11 o'clock Friday morning, and was found by two miners with whom he had been working, shortly afterward on the 700 foot station with life extinct, his skull badly crushed at the base, and his limbs crushed and mangled. Tobacchi, who has been employed at the smelter for over two years, was but recently given the job of carman in one of the drifts. He was last seen by Enrico Carboni and Jos Billings at the 600 foot station where he remarked that he was going up to the 400 level for further orders as the shaft at the 600 was full. Carboni observed that Tobacchi's light disappeared very suddenly and expressed a belief that the man had tailed below. The two miners instantly rang down the skip and descended on an inspection finding the lifeless body on the 700 foot station.—Calaveras Chronicle.

A wagon load of Cornish miners from Amador county passed through San Andreas to the Sheephanch mine last Wednesday evening. The boys were all happy and full of song. These are the kind of miners that make a camp lively and bring good times to everybody by their free hearted manners.—Citizen.

A company has been organized to develop a gravel deposit near Wallace, Calaveras county. It is said that 4,000,000 tons of the material have been uncovered and that 6,000,000 more are easily obtainable. An electric railway will be built for conveying the gravel to Stockton, there to be distributed to other cities. At the tip rockcrushers will be located to pulverize the cobble stones to be used for macadam.—Mother Lode Banner.

At high noon on Saturday last, June 1st, at the residence of A. Solomonson and family, at Old Davisville, Rev. P. P. Flegal performed the ceremony which united in the holy bonds of matrimony Arotie W. Clifton and Miss Jennie Solomonson. The bride was attired in a gown of cream colored silk, wore a wreath of orange blossoms on her hair and carried a bouquet of pond lilies. The groom was dressed in the conventional black broadcloth. Mrs Henry C. Payne, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid, while Arthur Clifton, brother of the groom, was best man. Arotie Clifton and bride departed Sunday morning for their new home in Sacramento.—Ione Echo.

When Coroner Winchell took possession of the property of A. W. Kopp, whose death occurred at Clarksville last week, he found a bound volume of the



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## Hampering Gravel Mining.

Much complaint is being made on account of the hampering of the operations of small gravel mines, such as we have in Amador and our neighboring counties, by the hanging-fire policy of the debris commissioners in granting permits to hydraulic without the building of restraining dams. One interested in mining in the northern part of the county writes us as follows:

"In your astonishment at the falling off of the juvenile population on account of logging and so forth, you forget that in our part of the county all hydraulic mining is stopped, no matter whether the debris does any harm or not. The traveling agent for the debris commission told us he did not think we were doing any harm, but it allowed us to pipe others would want to pipe also. We have been trying to get the benefit of the Gillett bill you published some months ago. We have written to the debris commission that we can prove by their own agent that they sent out that we were doing no harm, and were entitled to pipe without a dam, but we can get no satisfaction. They would not let a miner ground sluice if they could help it. If the traveling agent of the debris commission can stop a miner from piping they seem to think they have done good service.

It is a fact that such gravel mining as is required in Amador county would do no possible harm to navigable streams. The debris does not reach navigable streams in most cases. And the quantity of detritus would not injure the lowlands anyway. The amount of sediment carried down during a freshet is no doubt equal to the total debris from gravel claims for an entire season's operations. If the law recently passed, permitting such mines to operate without restraining dams is in force, why is it that the miners are not getting the benefit of it. These small mines can not afford the expense of impounding dams. This restriction means perpetual idleness, and the consequent loss of the precious metal which they contain. But with the no-dam provision in vogue, many a mine would start up, and add materially to the wealth of the county. It would be well if the state mineralogist, L. E. Aubrey, would take up this question, and force it to an issue. It is certainly in his line of business. He would render immense service to the small gravel mine owners by pushing this matter to the front, and have handicap of impounding dams removed from mines so situated, that the tailings therefrom do not figure as a menace or detriment to either the farmers or the rivers.

## Motive a Material Factor

In discussing the graft prosecution a number of our exchanges coincide with the statement made by the San Francisco Chronicle, that the motive behind this graft business cuts no figure. Whether the prosecution is prompted by personal and unworthy motives, or whether actuated by public and patriotic impulses makes not the slightest difference, and should not be inquired into. We entirely differ from this view. We admit that the main issue with which the people are concerned is whether the accused are guilty of the crimes alleged. It is the district attorney's duty to prosecute, if he is satisfied that the grafting has been carried on as charged, even though he had knowledge that the moving spirits were prompted by the basest motives of personal animosity and possibly individual gain. But admitting this, the question of motive should be scrutinized most thoroughly. A corrupt motive is very apt to impel a man to make accusation which cannot be sustained by the facts. Nothing more clouds one's judgment in such matters than personal malice. This will lead him to try to use the machinery of the courts to carry out his unworthy aims. Such things have been done before. Instances might be cited from the history of this county, and probably every other county in the state, of the courts being made the vehicles for the ventilation of personal spite. Things totally lacking in any of the essential elements of crime, are magnified and twisted to bring them within the purview of the penal code.

For scratches, burns, cuts, insect bites and the like, the little white cream to every family. DeWitt's Carbolic Witch Hazel Salve is the best remedy. It is soothing, cooling, clean and healing. Be sure you get DeWitt's. Sold by F. W. Rubner.

We learn as we go to press that Mayor Schmitz was found guilty of extortion in the French restaurant cases. The jury were out deliberating only one hour. Abe Ruef testified, as he said under promise of immunity for himself, that he gave Schmitz \$4000 of his fees in these cases; \$2500 in 1905, and \$1500 in 1906. Schmitz denied having received any division of the money.

J. F. Wilson, Dentist. Hours 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Phone—Office, black 444; residence, black 394; Jackson.

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## Buy Hair at Auction?

At any rate, you seem to be getting rid of it on auction-sale principles: "going, going, g-o-n-e!" Stop the auction with Ayer's Hair Vigor. It certainly checks falling hair; no mistake about this. It acts as a regular medicine; makes the scalp healthy. Then you must have healthy hair, for it's nature's way.

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## Advertising the County.

Ten thousand postal cards showing a number of Amador county scenes and buildings, are being printed for distribution at the meeting of the National Educational association, which meets in Los Angeles early next month. Visitors from almost every state and territory in the union will be present at that gathering, and it was thought it would be an excellent opportunity to do something toward drawing attention to this favored section. This is not an elaborate effort, but it is a beginning, and should be followed up with other, and more extensive illustrated literature. The method adopted in the southern part of the state to attract population has been simply persistent advertising. That section has forged ahead more rapidly than any other part of California, because it has been systematically and persistently advertised. That is the whole secret. It cannot lay claim to distinctive advantages, in climate or resources, or opportunities to make a livelihood. Amador can meet it at par in all of these respects, and claim others that do not belong to southern counties.

The scattering of a few thousand postal cards is a beginning, and only a beginning. It must be followed up with other plans of advertising, otherwise the result is apt to be disappointing. The county has agreed through the board of supervisors,—to bear some of the expense incurred by these postals. This is strictly within its legal powers. Indeed, the board is allowed by law to spend a far greater amount for the purpose of attracting immigration every year than the total cost involved in printing these engraved cards. The Ledger has never advocated an appeal to the county treasury for this purpose. It believes it is far better to back a movement of this kind by the rank and file—the business men and property holders generally.

Harry Orchard, the star witness for the prosecution in the trial of Haywood, charged with complicity in the murder of ex-governor Steenbergen of Idaho, is a human monstrosity. He embraced murder as a profession. Any crime, no matter how heinous, was embraced by him as a means of earning a livelihood. He was utterly devoid of conscience. From 1902 to the close of 1905 he never paused in his murder-work. As soon as he got through with one villainy, he was ready to embark in another. Some of the men whom he confesses to have put out of the way, he had not the slightest grudge against. There was no motive of enmity to urge him on. According to his story, he was hired to do such work, and he endeavored to fulfill his part of the contract to extinguish human life. It probably will not be disputed by the defense that the eighteen or nineteen murders in which he confesses to have participated are chargeable to him. The point that will be contested—must be contested and disproved, or clouded with doubt, if Haywood is to have a ghost of a show to avoid responsibility for the crime—is whether Orchard was the paid hireling of the Western Federation in committing these crimes. This is the whole gist of the offense as far as Haywood is concerned. If, as one of the "inner circle" of the federation, Haywood circulated the work of Orchard, and paid him for it, that fact establishes a conspiracy in crime, and all those party to it are equally guilty, under the law, with the one who actually laid and exploded the murderous bomb.

BERT BARBER, of Elton, Wis., says: "I have only taken four doses of your kidney and bladder pills and they have done for me more than any other medicine has ever done. I am still taking the pills as I want a perfect cure." Mr. Barber refers to DeWitt's kidney and bladder pills, which are unequalled for backache, weak kidneys, inflammation of the bladder and all urinary troubles. A weeks treatment for 25c. Sold by F. W. Rubner.

## BORN.

MERCER.—In Paloma, June 6, 1907, to the wife of Frank Mercer, a son, FREDIANO.—In Jackson, June 11, 1907, to the wife of J. Frediano, a son.

## MARRIED.

BEST-JELMINI.—In Jackson, April 13, 1907, by Hon. R. C. Rust, Preston Best to Mrs. Mary A. Jelmini, both of Sutter Creek.

## DIED.

WATERS.—Near Quartz Mountain, June 6, 1907, William John Waters, a native of England, aged 56 years.

FITHIAN.—In June, June 3, 1907, Mrs. Leonard Fithian, a native of Ohio, aged 74 years.

## AUKUM.

June 12.—The mine on the Nickley homestead shut down when the whistle blew at 6 o'clock Saturday evening. The shut down so far as outsiders know, is permanent. A good deal of regret is felt by many, for the company had the good will of the people of its surroundings. They paid all debts to a farthing, and this established a permanent good will of the people. A mine thus carried on with fidelity and trust, always ranks paramount above "wild cat" schemes though having the appearance of honest dealing on their face. Good luck to the operators in their future ventures.

The entertainment at Pigeon Creek school house on Saturday evening last, was a good success generally. It was gotten up for the purpose of raising funds to purchase two flags that the school was in need of. The net receipts were \$31.15. It is well to judge an entertainment by the expression of the public. It is not egotistical on my part, to say that I heard many persons say that it was more than excellent. One man in particular well and favorably known in the county, said it ranked above any he had ever attended. Miss Mabel Votaw is the teacher of the school. She associated herself with a number of young folks not members of the school, who took different parts as different actors, and as her selections were good, it produced an entertainment that was in its real sense entertaining. Quite a number of the scholars of the school took part, and are entitled to praise along with the others.

The weather is considerably warmer than last week. We have more or less fog and threatening rain. On Friday an electric storm deluged around, promiscuously rang telephone bells, impeded the phone box at Mrs. Susan Craio's in Shenandoah, so it had to be replaced with another one, hailed on the Aukum stage driver between Oleta and Uno. It rained hard at Aukum.

Haymaking season is in full blast. All are busy getting everything possible made into hay. Crops are seemingly better as they run over the fields, and a better yield will be realized than was at first expected.

Clarence Berry of Pine Grove, is spending a few days with his sister and family, Mrs. J. A. Wrigglesworth. Miss Pearl Wade was the guest of the Misses Uhlings at Albert Uhlings' home, Friday last.

Mrs. Mary Votaw and two daughters, of Forest Home, came up to the entertainment given at Pigeon Creek school house, where her daughter Mabel is teaching. She was the guest of Miss Rubie Dillion.

Blanch Goffnett, who has been in Mrs. Chas. Sheld's family at Plymouth for the last year, returned home for a few days, preparing to go to Sonoma county, to remain indefinitely.

Fred Schroeder and wife have returned home to Mrs. Chas. Bell's. Fred and Kay Bell were cutting logs at the saw mill for Norman Green-slate. They have finished the contract.

Mrs. M. Seely and Laura Votaw have gone to Lockford, to visit Miss Votaw's brother and family, Austin Votaw, formerly of this place.

Robert Jamerson takes pleasure in gallanting the young ladies around with his horses, which is very convenient for the girls also.

Miss Flora Goffnett will go to Plymouth Tuesday, June 11, to take the examination to pass out of the 9th grade.

Jim Votaw and wife went to Placer-ville Wednesday. Jim returned home Saturday, and his wife went to Georgetown, to be with a sick relative, Mrs. Green of that place.

Mrs. Clara French, who spent several days in Sutter Creek under medical treatment, has returned home much improved.

Dr. Saunders and wife are keeping house for Milton Votaw, in the absence of his sister Laura.

Mr. and Mrs. Spira and daughters spent a few days last week at Sheldon, Sacramento county, with Mrs. Williams, a married daughter.

J. A. Wrigglesworth and family and a cousin, Marie Hite, spent a few days in the mountains near Grizzly Flat. The children caught trout to eat while up there, which pleased them very much.

An owner of the mine at Indian Diggings came on the Aukum stage from San Francisco, and went through by private conveyance. The men will be very glad to see him, as some are quite a little behind in getting their money.

## AMADOR.

June 12.—Messrs. Polmerna White and Lucia Kerr, were visitors in Jackson Sunday; also Mr. and Mrs. L. White.

Miss Ida Hardy, who has been taking a course of study at the Stockton Business College, returned home Saturday evening.

Jack Kerr, J. Noce and another young man returned last Wednesday from Blair, Nev. They seem to think there is no place like home.

J. Simmons has lost his sight. He was taken to Sacramento Sunday. He is quite an old man. It is sincerely hoped by his many friends that his sight may be restored.

Miss Vera Kenton and several of her little friends, attended the Sunday school picnic in Sutter Creek last week.

Mrs. Badger is seriously ill. She is greatly missed from the Sunday school, and her speedy recovery is earnestly wished for.

Mrs. J. Allen and Miss Hattie Hinkson were passengers on the outgoing stage Thursday morning.

Laurence White and Louis Barber played with the Sutter Creek band Saturday night.

When you feel the need of a pill take a DeWitt's Little Blue Pill. Small pill, safe pill, sure pill. Easy to take—pleasant and effective. Drives away headaches. Sold by F. W. Rubner.

## PINE GROVE.

Alex Adams has leased his blacksmith shop to Frank Walker. Alex left here to take charge of a flume construction for an electric company in Calaveras and Inyo counties. Several Pine Grove flume builders went with him.

John Zumalt is again running the giant at the Gold Top mine.

C. C. Luttrell has decided not to run his large logging teams this summer, and is disposing of part of his stock.

Molino has two teams on the road hauling logs to the Jackson mines. John McKelvey spent the last two weeks here, on business connected with the Edinburg group of mines.

Mrs. A. S. Jones of Berkeley, and Mrs. Lindsay of Dawson City, are visitors at Wieland, the former home of Mrs. Jones.

The weather has taken on a decidedly wintry aspect, a heavy rain has fallen since Monday night, which aside from the damage it may do to hay making, we think this late rain glorious, as we must soon expect extreme warm weather.

A farewell party and picnic combined was given for Miss Elsie Luttrell on Friday last, which was participated in by a jolly lot of fun loving girls. Ice cream and other pleasing viands were served at intervals throughout the day, and joy reigned supreme until the sudden illness of Miss Leota caused merry-making to cease for awhile. We are pleased to say that the young lady has almost recovered her usual health.

Miss Elsie Luttrell took her departure on Monday for Stockton, where she will enter a dressmaker's establishment as an apprentice. We wish her success.

Mrs. Bob Valentine arrived on Saturday's stage from Davisville, she will visit her mother, Mrs. Zumalt for a while.

Alex Adams left for Stanislaus county, where he has secured employment of the flume company. Will and Chas. Ludekin accompanied him.

Frank and Rubie Walker have taken the blacksmith shop. Rubie has moved into the house lately vacated by Mrs. Valentine.

Children's day services on Sabbath evening were listened to by a large and appreciative audience.

The Ladies' Aid contemplate selling ice cream on Saturday next, the weather being favorable.

Dr. McCarty, presiding elder, will deliver an address on Sabbath evening in the M. E. church.

Miss Ethel Walker and Leota Luttrell went to Volcano today to take the final examination for graduation.

Grizzly.

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JOHN F. ARMSTRONG, Register.

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## Unclaimed Letters.

In Jackson postoffice June 14, 1907. Wm. Bathurst, F. Gallagher, Mr. Tisdale. —Frank Duden, postmaster.

## Notice of Delinquent Sale

of the Jose Gulch Mining Company a corporation organized under the laws of the state of California, having its office and principal place of business at Butte Basin, Amador county, California, and having its works and property at the same place.

Notice.—There are delinquent upon the following described stock, on account of assessments levied on the 6th day of May, 1907, the several amounts set opposite the names of the respective shareholders, as follows:

Name.	No. Cert.	Shares	Amt.
F. E. Armstrong	199	3000	\$150 00
John Armstrong	198	500	25 00
Mary Armstrong	232	200	10 00
Fannie Armstrong	233	200	10 00
Jack Armstrong	234	200	10 00
Ward Armstrong	235	200	10 00
Ruth Armstrong	236	200	10 00
A. H. Broad	202	2600	130 00
Mrs. J. M. Broad	240	200	10 00
Ursula H. Broad	243	200	10 00
Mrs. C. C. Conover	36	50	2 50
Mrs. M. A. Cohewort	178	5	25
J. D. Elder	56	1000	50 00
F. M. Farwell	145	500	25 00
F. M. Farwell	146	500	25 00
F. M. Farwell	211	100	5 00
G. W. Haines	261	2265	113 25
Mary Kinser	66	200	10 00
Mary Kinser	69	200	10 00
M. Kinser	195	300	15 00
M. Kinser	232	100	5 00
M. Kinser	231	17	85
M. Kinser	250	2174	108 70
W. D. Kinser	194	100	5 00
W. D. Kinser	226	250	12 50
J. P. Little	17	500	25 00
W. D. Kinser	250	125	6 25
E. S. Miller	12	1000	50 00
E. S. Miller	262	2670	133 50
Dan McPhee	260	60	3 00
Jos. Martyn	103	200	10 00
Jos. Martyn	184	20	1 00
Richard Moore	254	500	25 00
Mabel H. Ross	93	200	10 00
Mabel H. Ross	205	300	15 00
Charlotte Whitney	124	200	10 00
C. M. Roadhouse	206	300	15 00
Alfred Stewart	211	100	5 00
H. L. Whitney	196	3400	170 00
Flora M. Yates	92	100	5 00
Flora M. Yates	132	100	5 00
Flora M. Yates	228	100	5 00
Mrs. L. L. Swartout	158	100	5 00
Marg' Lee Voshell	247	1000	50 00

And in accordance with law, and an order of the Board of Directors made on the 6th day of May, 1907, so many shares of such stock as may be necessary will be sold at public auction at the office of the company and Secretary at Butte Basin, Amador County, California, on the 1st day of July, 1907, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m., or said day, to pay delinquent assessments thereon, together with costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

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## AN INTERESTING GAME.

## Placerville vs. Jackson.

The most exciting game of baseball that has been played this season on the local diamond, was pulled off last Sunday afternoon, on the grounds just south of the Zeila mine. On that occasion the Placerville boys tried conclusion with a nine composed of the members of the Jackson social and athletic club. The visitors arrived here Saturday evening, receiving a most cordial greeting. The local band serenaded in honor of their coming, and in every way the strangers were royally welcomed. A ball was given by the social club in Lore's hall that evening, which for liberality of patronage eclipsed anything in that line given by the club since its reorganization.

Sunday afternoon there was an immense crowd on the baseball ground to witness the game, by far the largest gathering seen there. Many came from outside towns, Lone Sutter Creek, and other towns, helped in swelling the numbers of sight-seers.

Following is the score:

Placerville	ab	r	sh	bb
Perry, c	3	0	0	1
Summer, cf	3	1	1	0
H Benson, ss	4	1	1	1
Phillips, p	3	0	0	0
Quigley, lb	4	1	1	0
Lucas, 2b	4	0	1	0
James, rf	4	0	0	0
Dean, 3d b	3	1	2	0
Forni, if	3	0	0	0
Total	31	4	6	2

Jackson	ab	r	sh	bb
D Fortner, 3b	4	0	2	0
Danne, p	4	0	0	0
Vela, c	4	0	0	0
Thomas, 1st b	4	1	1	1
Connors, lf	4	1	2	1
Sutherland, 2d b	3	1	1	1
Miller, cf	3	0	1	1
W Fortner, ss	3	0	1	0
Arditto, rf	3	0	0	1
Total	32	3	8	4

Runs by innings: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9  
Placerville—0 0 1 0 0 0 3 0  
Jackson—0 0 2 0 1 0 0 0

A team from Lone came to Jackson last Sunday, and played a part of a game with the South Jackson nine, on the Gardella grounds. After playing five innings the Lone boys cried quits, on the plea that they wanted to go and watch the progress of the big game between the Jackson and Placerville teams. At the close of the fifth innings the score was two to three in favor of the Lones.

The juvenile team of Jackson went over to Mokelumne Hill Sunday, and had a bout with the juveniles of that camp. Nine innings were played. The game was closely contested, the score at the conclusion being 11 to 12 in favor of the Mokelumne Hills. The latter team is expected to come over here in two weeks and play a return game.

## Wedding Bells.

A quiet but pretty wedding took place in Amador City, at the M. E. church, when Raymond E. Prothro and Miss Alida M. Meiss were united in holy matrimony. The bride is the youngest daughter of Christian Meiss, who has been an old resident of this county for many years. The groom is the only son of Jesse P. Prothro, who has also been an old resident of this county. Miss Blanche Prothro, sister of the groom, acted as bridesmaid, and James Bodin as best man. Miss Fern Martin rendered the wedding march. The bride wore a beautiful gown of crepe de chine, with a yoke of Irish lace. The bridesmaid wore a gown of blue silk mull.

After the wedding supper was served the happy couple accompanied by the bridesmaid and groomsmen departed for Jackson, taking the morning train for the capital city, where they intend spending their honeymoon. They will take up their residence at Cosumnes, where the groom is now employed. The bride is a daughter of the late J. E. Badger, who was a prominent citizen of this county.

Accidents will happen, but the best-regulated families keep Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil for such emergencies. It subdues the pain and heals the hurts.

## Report on Cemetery Improvement.

Following is a report of receipts and expenses for the new water system in the protestant cemetery:

Subscription from orders and individuals	\$66.50
Expenses—	
To city trustees, for 200 ft. 2 in. pipe and the laying thereof	16.00
George Tucker, 216 ft. 1 in. pipe	15.10
Garbarini & Arata, 21 ft. 1 in. pipe	3.35
J. Forshey, pipe fitting, labor	20.00
E. Cassell, labor	3.50
S. C. Campbell, labor	3.50
George Folger, hauling pipe	5.00
Mrs C. Richter, water for year	10.00
E. S. Petois, creviseing and working on pipe line	5.00
Total	\$76.95
Balance due to E. S. Petois	10.45
Money pledged, but not collected	8.00
Respectfully submitted,	
E. S. Petois.	

Copies of the license ordinance of the City of Jackson in pamphlet form may be had at the Ledger office; price 15c. each.

## Statement of Fees.

Fees were collected by the various county officers during the month of May as follows:

Sheriff	\$73.18
Clerk	
Superior court	\$32.00
" Probate	32.50
New cases	9.00
County clerk	9.75
County recorder	95.50
Total	\$250.93

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## Fatal Fall.

W. J. Waters, an old resident of Amador City and vicinity was instantly killed as the outcome of a fall at his dwelling house near Quartz Mountain on Thursday morning, June 6. He lived with his family in a two story residence on Rancheria creek, beyond Quartz Mountain, some four miles east of Amador City. On the morning in question, while ascending the stairway, in some unexplained manner, he lost his balance and fell backward. He must have struck full force on his head. His neck was dislocated by the fall, and he died almost immediately after the accident. The deceased leaves to mourn his untimely death, a wife and three grown up children—two sons, William J., aged 21 and Frederick T. Walters, aged 22 years. The daughter is a school teacher in this county.

Deceased was 56 years, a native of England. He had lived in the neighborhood of Amador City for many years, working in the mines of that vicinity. Several years ago, he purchased the Burt ranch, on Rancheria creek, and thereafter turned his attention to farming. It was on this place that he met his death as above stated.

The funeral took place Saturday at the Oak Knoll cemetery. One of the sons has been working for some time for the Union Construction Company in Calaveras county, and went home on the news of his father's death. The other son has been looking after the ranch property.

## Picnic Postponed.

The Italian picnic will take place in Fullen's grove on Sunday, the 23rd, having been postponed from the 16th to that date by the management on account of the inclement weather. It is usually announced to take place on the first Sunday in June, but inasmuch as on more than one occasion the affair has been interfered with by unfavorable weather it was decided to put it off until the middle of the month this year. Another consideration was the fact that the pay days at the several mines hereabouts occurs just before the 16th, the boys will be likely to be plentifully supplied with ready cash to meet the demands of the festive occasion. The attractions will be besides dancing, a baseball game, blue rock shooting, and other amusements. A big turnout is looked for.

## New Idea Club Entertainment.

Next Tuesday evening June 18, the New Idea Club will give their regular monthly entertainment in the I. O. O. F. hall. A delightful program has been prepared, and without doubt these gatherings will continue to merit their past popularity. The following is the program:

- 1—Selection by the Mandolin Club.
- 2—Piano solo, Miss Eunice Going.
- 3—Song, Mildred Oliver.
- 4—Recitation, Miss Olive Gordon.
- 5—Piano solo, Lillian Gregor.
- 6—Solo, Miss Devan.
- 7—Recitation, Ruth Winning.
- 8—Vocal solo, Frank Bolonino.
- 9—Violin solo, Albert Sutherland.
- 10—A B C Duet, Anita and Del Norte Winning.
- 11—Recitation, Miss Julia Tanner.
- 12—Male Quartette, Messrs Penry, Phelps, Marcebuch and Ross.
- 13—Piano solo, Miss Grace Sutherland.
- 14—Solo, Miss Norma Smith.
- 15—The Wizard Clock—A mechanical puzzle, by a magician from the Preston School of Industry.
- 16—Mandolin Club.

Admission.—All over 12, twenty-five cents. Under 12 if accompanied by parents 15 cts.

## Unprecedented Rainfall.

The abnormal rains of the past winter have been maintained clear up to the end of the season. Not during the last ten years has anything like the amount of rain fallen in June as this year. Usually June is a rainless month. Only three times, outside of the present year has any rain fallen in that month during the last decade, and in those instances merely a sprinkling. These seasons were 1888, June 1, 0.24 of an inch; 1899, June 12, 0.10 of an inch; and June 29, 1902, 6 hundredths of an inch.

This year has beat the record in June rainfall. The past week the precipitation has been:

June 10	0.21
June 11	0.54
" 12	0.28
" 13	0.40
Total	1.43
Total for the season	42.78
Same period last year	34.32

## The Joint Bridges.

At the last meeting of the supervisors of El Dorado county, an order was made authorizing the payment of one-half of \$800 to build a bridge on the south fork of the Cosumnes river, on the road between Anklam and Plymouth. Amador county to pay the other half, and take charge of the construction. A resolution was also passed to enter into a contract with this county to build a bridge at Wisconsin bar between Plymouth and Latrobe, the price of which is \$11200, each county paying one-half. There was some hanging fire on the part of our sister county for some time over this latter proposition, the county fathers there being unwilling to accept this responsibility at present. Finally, however, they signified their willingness. Both bridges are over the dividing stream between the two counties, and under the law each county is required to bear one-half the cost. The present year will prove the most costly that this county has known in its history in the way of bridge construction.

A healthy man is a king in his own right; an unhealthy man is an unhappy slave. Burdock Blood Bitters builds up sound health—keeps you well.

## SUPERIOR COURT.

HON. H. C. RUST, JUDGE.

Wm. Tam vs. Fortunato Paroli.—Judgment for amount prayed for. James Graham vs. Isaac N. Dewitt, administrator, and W. N. Hardue.—Trial postponed; to be reset for trial at calling of calendar in July.

Elisa D. Ferracane vs. Eugene Ferracane.—Interlocutory decree of divorce granted; \$25 per month alimony, and \$50 counsel fees.

Minnie M. Howarth, administratrix of estate of John W. Marshall vs. W. T. Shuttell, Bonanza Gold Production Company et al.—Charles W. Caryl, one of defendants allowed until June 20, in which to prepare and file answer.

Estate of George N. Radanovich.—Final account settled and allowed.

Estate of Chas. Smith.—Decree establishing notice to creditors.

Estate of Pete Vukasovich.—Decree establishing notice to creditors.

Estate of Wm. Trelease.—Decree establishing notice to creditors.

Estate of Bernard Isaacs.—June 22 fixed for hearing of return of sale of real estate in Alpine county.

Estate of Giovanni B. Ratto.—Virginia B. Ratto appointed administratrix, upon filing bond of \$1200; notice to creditors ordered published.

Estate and guardianship of J. W. Wayland.—Inventory of property filed, valuing estate at \$4944.

Estate of Lorenzo G. Oneto.—Inventory filed, property appraised at \$6380.

Estate of William Trelease.—Estate appraised at \$800.

Estate of John T. Vandament.—Inventory filed, property appraised at \$2254.70.

Estate of Andrew Hageman.—Inventory filed, appraising property at \$250.

Estate of Mary H. Van Doren.—Final account and petition for distribution filed, June 15 set for hearing.

Estate of Giuseppe Viale.—Return of sale of property to W. H. Glenn et al for \$149.50. June 22 set for hearing.

New Cases.

Alex Menchini vs. John H. Spring.—Complaint for the foreclosure of liens against the Wildman mine, South Lincoln, Mahoney and other mines in Sutter Creek, also 240 stamp mills. The plaintiff's and assigned claims with costs are: A. Menchini, \$413.74; Serafino Menchini, \$103.90; judgment is asked for \$710.73, including attorney's fees.

Dena Sanguinetti vs. Laurence Sanguinetti.—Complaint filed summons issued.

Emma Dieken vs. Geo. W. Dieken.—Complaint filed summons issued.

B. Levaggi vs. Ella Adams.—On appeal from justice's court of township 5.—Plaintiff sued in the justice court of township 5 for \$102.50; for cash advanced \$100 and merchandise sold \$2.50. Complaint was filed, being the bill for amount alleged to be due on Sept. 3, 1906. Defendant answered on Sept. 4, denying the allegations of complaint. Trial was set for April 2, 1907, and notice thereof served on attorneys for the respective parties. On the above date plaintiff appeared in person without counsel, and no appearance of defendant. Plaintiff was sworn and testified, and judgment was given for full amount of claim and costs assessed at \$7.75. Defendant appeals on both question of law and fact.

## Freight Hauling.

A report was current that the resumption for freight hauling by the teams lately turned out, and belonging to the I. and E. Co., would commence last Wednesday. The contract with some of the mines has not yet expired. With the Fremont for instance, the agreement runs for some time yet. Arrangements have been made for hauling sulphurets from the mine to Martells, and oil and other supplies to the mine. The teams are getting back to work. The Keystone has one team hauling supplies to the mine. Several of the mines had a large supply of oil on hand when the teams were laid off, and this supply is not yet exhausted.

Garden hose, lawn sprinklers, lawn mowers, rakes, hoes and spades, in fact everything needed for lawn or garden at V. Giovannoni & Co.

How the Pine Grove Tots Played

A correspondent sends in the following account of an eye witness to the ball game at Pine Grove last week:

John McKelvey of Oakland, who has mining interests in this county, was giving a description to his friends of an interesting ball game that he witnessed last Saturday at Pine Grove between the boys and girls, the little tots. He said he enjoyed it more than any game he ever saw. What first interested him, he saw one of the girls—Ola, who was at the bat make a home run, and the way she sprang was a sight. Another little one was hit by a ball on the breast, it flipped up and hit her on the chin. You could see it hurt, but while the tears flowed she just grabbed the ball and went to work. The boys played well too, but the girls were too much for them, they can throw a ball, catch, bat and steal a base on a par with a league player. At the end of the game there were as Myrtle said, 2 men out, two on base, when a base hit was made, but it was caught by Bernice, a little tot on 3rd, and a pretty catch it was too; then the cry, side out, game out, 35 to 20 in favor of the girls. My how we did hoot and yell for these kids, about every man in town had joined us and we were all kids again.

Mr McKelvey is a personal friend of Tip O'Neil, president of the Western League; Clay Haddock and Cal Ewing, and many other base ball magnates. He says when they want any new material he is going to tell them to go to Pine Grove.

Drop in and see my new store foot of Broadway, Jackson. While not being fitted up entirely, I am prepared to fill all orders promptly, will prepare to carry a full line of fruits and vegetables in a few days. Look for my ad in next weeks issue.

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## DOCUMENTS RECORDED.

The following instruments have been filed for record in the recorder's office since our last report. We publish a complete list of documents recorded, and must decline to accede to any request to suppress any document from these columns. Don't ask us to do so.

Deeds.—Benjamin Hopper to J. H. Williams et al, lot 2 block 56, lone, \$1000.

Lenora Fithian to W. C. Fithian, lot 6 block 10, lone, \$10.

William Hartmann et al to George Ellis et al, part of lot 4 block 7, and lots 8 and 9 block 18, lone, \$10.

Carver Hidecker et ux to Jane Fire Brick Co., 4.92 acres in 31-6-10, \$10.

Elizabeth Dufrene to Joseph Dufrene, 100 acres in 13-8-14, \$10.

Jacob Newman et ux to Carver Hidecker, 4.92 acres in 31-6-10, \$10.

Christiana Leach to Carrie Bell Giehrich, part of lot 4 block 18, lone, love and affection.

Note Howdy to Walter Howdy, 160 acres in 7-7-12, \$5.

Mrs Sabra and H. P. Moore to Mrs Mary J. McMurry, part of lot 1 block 40, lone, \$175.

Mortgages.—William A. Colburn, et ux to Rosenwald & Kahn, 40 acres in 8-7-10, \$222, payable one day after date with interest at the rate of 10 per cent per annum.

Cattle Mark.—S. Ferrari files a cattle mark as follows: Ear mark—crop off each ear and slit in right ear.

Certificates of Redemption.—H. Dickerman on house and lot at Quartz Mountain, taxes of 1900, \$10.65.

Mrs L. Dufrene et al on 160 acres in 13-8-14, taxes of 1900, \$29.40.

Mrs B. Mooney on 100 acres in 15-7-11, taxes of 1903, \$11.47.

V. L. Roberts on 480 acres in 36-8-14, taxes of 1901, 1902 and 1903, \$126.19.

Agreement.—Jacob Newman et al agrees to sell to Carver Hidecker the clay on land in 31-6-10; \$1 per 1000 brick made and 50c per ton on each ton of clay shipped.

Notice of Forfeiture.—William E. Sherwood files his notice of forfeiture against Eleanor P. Tty on the Tennessee quartz claim, Volcano district.

Assignment of Mortgage.—Churchman to Churchman.

Satisfaction of Chattel Mortgage.—White to Hambric.

## Criminal Returns.

Criminal returns of T. H. Gartlin, justice of township 2, were filed with the supervisors as follows:

J. W. Wilson, charged with misdemeanor paid \$8.

Geo. W. Frinch, pleaded guilty of misdemeanor and paid a fine of \$40.

## How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

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## MINING NOTES.

South Eureka.—At this mine they are calling for bids to run 100 feet of crosscut at the 2300 foot level or such distance as will be necessary to encounter the ledge.

Gwin.—An assessment of 20 cents per share has been levied upon the stock of this corporation. This will raise \$20,000 there being 100,000 shares in the company. The outlook from the underground works is not encouraging. For some time the output has failed to pay running expenses, and the levy of this heavy assessment was necessary to meet the liabilities.

Bunker Hill.—The mill was operated for 31 days last month, making a very successful as well as continuous run. The output was fully up to the average, the yield per ton averaging about \$5.40. Dividend No. 6 was declared at the meeting of the directors this month, being the usual three cents per share.

## Forest Fires.

The attention of all persons who inhabit or frequent the forested areas of California is called to the following abstract of the forest laws.

Stats. 1907, makes it a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not less than twenty-five nor more than five hundred dollars to commit any of the following acts:

1. To set fire, or cause or procure fire to be set to any material being or growing on lands not the property of the person who sets such fire without the permission of the owner of the land, except that camp fires may be built on unenclosed lands if the owner has not forbidden such building in any way and, provided the builder totally extinguishes the fire before leaving it.

2. To allow fires lawfully set to escape from the control of the person having charge thereof or to spread to the lands of another.

3. To build a fire anywhere (excepting camp fires, and fires set to facilitate redwood logging) during a dry season without first obtaining written permission from a fire warden.

4. To use any engine or boiler except such as use oil as fuel near any forest, brush or grass land unless such engines or boilers are provided with adequate devices to prevent the escape of fire from any part.

5. To refuse to obey the summons of any fire warden to aid in extinguishing fires. (Note: for this the fine is not less than ten dollars.)

Further information may be obtained by addressing, State Forester, Sacramento, California.

## Fingers Crushed.

A young man named Will Hopper, employed at the Martell depot, had the tips of two fingers taken off and another finger badly crushed last Friday. He was engaged at the time of the accident in coupling two cars.

In some manner his fingers got caught between the two, crippling his hand as above stated. Dr. Endicott was called and amputated the two fingers at the last joint. The other finger it is believed can be saved entire.

## Hotel Arrivals.

Globe.—Friday—C Gaylor, Sacramento; L Jacobs, Berkeley; F B Joyce, Defender; G L Wishard, San Francisco; P D Doane, Berkeley.

Saturday.—Geo F Mack, lone; Mrs J E Kingdon, Miss Pearl Burns, Mokelumne Hill; E R Benson, L. Damm, G L Lucas, P Perry, Frank Phillips, H Benson, Dr C M Simon, H James, T Harris, Placerville.

Sunday.—Geo W Carey, San Francisco; Hany Heffern, lone; A Phillips, Julius Gloridians, San Francisco.

Monday.—C E Jarvis, San Francisco; Elmer Gooding, J A Gooding, Lancha Plana; C Kinger, San Francisco; D Ball, Sutter Creek; S R Ward, Amador City.

Tuesday.—Thomas Joy, Salt Lake City; H Griffin, San Jose; Glen Gilbert, London.

Wednesday.—J Cassels, Sutter; Wm Hanley, Nellie Hanley, Bessie Wheeler, N Y Ranch; H A Solomon San Francisco; J Bred, M Claoh, Electra.

Thursday.—W A Hansen, Harry Gooby, Stockton; Geo Tryon, F J Petro, Sacramento; Max Lador, San Francisco.

National.—Friday—W Warren, W D Curtis, Sacramento; W M Fuller, Ramsey.

Saturday.—M D Wheeler, Plymouth; Miss M Marchant, Miss B Coolidge, lone; Geo H Brown, San Francisco; Jos Kidel, lone; Sam Kosich, Angles Camp; W Doane, Berkeley; J A Meles, Oakland; J Lagomarsino, Volcano; S Miller, Oakland; J Kaiter, Louisville; R S Urdeman, E B Smith, San Francisco; R Crowell and family, Electra; Geo A Gray, Stockton; John Smith, New York; W Hassard, San Francisco.

Monday.—J J Dietrick, Sacramento; A L Campbell, Mokelumne Hill; R O McKean, Franklin; W H Yeayer, Electra; Miss A Badracco, Sheep Ranch.

Tuesday.—E H Stock, San Francisco; C H Gail, Stockton; C W Enigh, Sacramento; J C Gyle, Chas Rianell, San Francisco; C Nuner, San Andreas.

Wednesday.—B Levy San Francisco; C A Hanchaw, Oakland; F P Curte, San Francisco; G L Price, Sacramento; K M Miller, Martells.

Thursday.—C R Parkin, Oakland; J A Rea, Kalamazoo.

## POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

We all need things we can cling along without.

If you are right, don't let a clever man persuade you out of it.

The thoughts you can't express without profanity are not very important.

Apologies are like family skeletons. They should not be taken out before company.



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#### Trust to Nature.

#### THE FIRST SYNDICATE.

How the French Word Was Americanized and Much Jesting.

Throughout the European negotiations in reference to the Northern Pacific railroad an interesting French word occurred again and again—namely, "syndicate"—which Jay Cooke and his partners soon converted into an English word, syndicate. The newspaper reporters rolled it under their tongues. It was a find for punsters and versifiers. The New York Tribune received these lines from one of its waggish contributors:

Pray what is a syndicate  
Intended to indicate?  
Is questioned abroad and at home,  
Say, is it a corner  
Where Jay Cooke's Hornet  
Can pull out a very big plump?

In congress the word was under examination. Some of "Sunset" Cox's constituents had written him, that member declared, to ask if it were in any way related to the Kuklux. "A scholar learned in philology," he continued amid laughter, "says it comes from the original Chinese and is pronounced 'Ah Siadeat,' from a well known player of cards called the 'heaven Chinese.' A revenue reformer writes me that it is an animal peculiar to Pennsylvania, with a head of iron, eyes of nickel, legs of copper and a heart of stone. It consumes every green thing outside its own state." Cox went to Sir John Mandeville's "Travels in Sir Cathay" and there found an account of a "strange animal of the lizard kind. He was known in ancient books as a chameleon. When the sun did shine, he took various colors. Sometimes it wore a golden hue and sometimes had a green back. I caught him by means of a steel mirror, which so bedazzled his eye that he was easily caught. I bring him home as a strange beast. It is called by the natives a 'schindie'."

The syndicate's task was to take in the old 6 per cent bonds issued during the war, many of which had drifted to Europe, where they were held by the thrifty peasantry, who had purchased them at paper money prices, and to sell the 5 per cent bonds in their stead. It was a complicated work, calling for complete control of the markets at home and abroad. Though the operation had to run the gamut of savage attacks by opposition politicians and editors, it was instantly successful. Indeed, two syndicates were formed, one in London through the new house of Jay Cooke, McCulloch & Co. and the other by Jay Cooke's firms in America. The banker was warmly congratulated on the successful management of the syndicate by President Grant and his friends of every rank, and it was believed that the achievement would immensely promote the success of the Northern Pacific railroad, especially when it was announced that the Cooke had made an alliance with the Rothschilds for future funding operations.—Dr. Oberholzer in Century.

#### BOOMERANG INVENTIONS.

Clisthenes introduced the custom of ostracism and was the first to be banished thereby.

Matthew Hopkins, the witch finder, was himself tried by his own tests and put to death as a wizard.

Ludovico Sforza, who invented the iron shroud, was the first to suffer death by this horrible torture.

Perillus, who invented the brazen bull for Phalaris, tyrant of Agrigento, was the first person baked to death in the horrible monster.

The recent Morton of Scotland, who invented the maiden, a sort of guillotine, was the first to be beheaded thereby. This was in the reign of Queen Elizabeth.

The bishop of Verdun, who invented the iron cages, too small to allow the person confined in them to stand upright or lie at full length, was the first to be shut up in one.

The perriere was an instrument for throwing stones of 3,000 pounds in weight, and the inventor fell a victim to his own invention by the accidental discharge of a perriere against a wall.—Scrap Book.

#### POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Old Time Bank Sincere.

In the old days the Bank of England was paternal in its treatment of its clerks. One young fellow was distinguished only for his zeal as a member of the volunteer corps which now is defunct. His clerical services were negligible and neglected, but when it was brought to the notice of the directors they remembered his martial ardor and gave him a nice little sinecure. Another clerk was reported to them as a really clever amateur painter. They saw his pictures. "It is a pity that such talent should be wasted over ledgers," was the kindly verdict. So they gave him a room at the bank for use as a studio and appointed him to the post of superintending the burning of canceled bank notes every Friday afternoon.—London Chronicle.

The Greek Figure.

Greek figures of men appear taller and more graceful than those of moderns. Modern artists make the upright figure seven and one-half times the length of the head. The Greeks made it eight times, lengthening the shin, and the longer sweep from knee to heel gave the figure increased grace and dignity. The same plan was frequently adopted by Lord Leighton, in whose paintings the same effect is obtained.—New York American.

Made a Difference.

Teacher—If one servant girl could clean two rooms in two hours, how long would it take two servant girls to do it? Little Girl—Four hours. Teacher—Wrong! It would only take one hour. Little Girl—Oh, I didn't know you was talking about servant girls that was on speaking terms!—London Tit-Bits.

Kept His Contract.

Patient—I thought you extracted teeth without pain. Dentist—Well, you still have the pain, haven't you?—Life.

Unloaded on the Ragman.

Scrubber—Congratulations, old man. I got rid of all my manuscript last week.

Dribbles—That's good. What did you get for them?

Scrubber—How much do you suppose?

Dribbles—Haven't the least idea.

Scrubber—I got 2 cents a pound.—Chicago News.

#### SKEWER LANGUAGE.

Method of Marking Meat in the Great Beef Markets.

There are about fifty men in the metropolis, says the New York Sun, who know how to make meat skewers keep a record of their business transactions. These men are the representatives of the Chicago packers, who sell thousands of quarters of beef every day to butchers.

The work of these men is accomplished with great rapidity. Frequently they are making sale to a dozen butchers at the same time, and to record these sales in a book would not only consume a lot of time, but would be difficult, as all quarters of beef look alike.

As soon as a sale is made the salesman sticks skewers into the quarter selected by the butcher. The skewers are placed in such a way that each butcher's purchases are easily picked out when the time comes for delivering them.

As soon as the salesmen have as many as a hundred customers in a day, it is evident that as many combinations of the skewers have to be formed. In no case are more than three skewers used on a piece of beef.

In one big icebox there are twenty rows of quarters, with forty quarters in each row. In each piece of beef were skewers, placed at various angles, straight up, two of them crossed and in every conceivable combination.

"I knew by these skewers which piece belongs to," said the salesman. "My beef house salesman has his own signs."

"This method of marking the meat serves several purposes in addition to that of saving time. A salesman from another house could not come in here and find out what my customers have bought by looking at the skewers, which would be easy enough if the meat had their names on."

"Neither can one butcher find out what quality of beef another is buying. I could make a thousand signs without using more than three skewers on any one piece of meat."

#### A GOOD SADDLE.

Except in the South and West, Most Riders Take What is Offered.

A well known horseman in speaking of the sports of riding in the United States recently said:

"Although there are a number of good riders in this country, very few men, except in the west and south, seem to know or care much about the saddle—that is, the way it is built. They simply take what their dealer gives them. In England it is usual for riders to have their saddles made to order, and they generally know what to order to."

"A good saddle fits both the horse and the man. It should be roomy everywhere and especially so in the panels if you are heavy. The throat should not be so narrow as to cause pain or so wide as to wobble. Plain pads are most comfortable and businesslike. A felt pad or at least a good saddle cloth should always be used, and to give a trim appearance it should be cut to the outlines of the saddle. It should be frequently washed and sunned. Stirrups should be open, wide and heavy, so that the feet can be readily freed in case of a spill."

"A proper fitting saddle will stick with very loose girths, and you can find where it fits by walking the horse around a few minutes before mounting with the girths unbuckled. The horse will shift the saddle to the exact place where it is most comfortable. When through with your ride, remove the saddle at once and bathe the back with cold water, following this, if possible, with an alcohol shampoo."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

#### THE SKULL BANJO.

Probably the Most Growsome Musical Instrument Known.

It is a well known fact that through dire necessity the American Indian has developed remarkable skill. The old stories of how these Indians made pottery and earthenware by the aid of only the most crude instruments and of their methods of burning and carving out the insides of the trunks of trees to make canoes are universally known.

But even with all their skill the fact that they were a barbarous, uncivilized race cannot be evaded, as is shown by this growsome instrument. In the time of the early settlers of this hemisphere their acts of cruelty were without precedent in the history of the world.

With these facts in view we can easily understand how the "skull banjo" came to light. It is known that in the small country of Paraguay, in the east central part of South America, the Indians who inhabited that place were more than ordinarily cruel. They were constantly engaged in warfare, and their primary aim when thus engaged was to capture the chief of the opposing side. When captured, this personage was carried to their camp and there cruelly murdered, and it was from his body that this awe inspiring musical instrument was made.

The instrument is made as follows: The body is decapitated, and the skull is then thoroughly dried. The one who is to perform the feat of making the instrument then cuts the top entirely off. Over the opening thus made a piece of skin taken from the body and also thoroughly dried is tightly stretched in the manner of a drum. From the back of the skull the two femurs or the two bones of the leg which extend from the knee to the hip project. These bones have been so trimmed that they are of uniform thickness throughout their entire length. The upper ends of these bones are joined together with one of the ribs, also taken from that body.

Then from the forehead of the skull to the rib which connects the two femurs a number of strings are tightly stretched. These strings are likewise made from the skin of the victim, having been thoroughly dried, stretched and rubbed with rosin.

But this even is not the full extent of the growsomeness of this instrument, for the skull is left so that the jaws are movable. Therefore with each shake of the instrument the jaws wag, and with a sharp jolt of the instrument the teeth come together with a snap.—New York Herald.

Nothing Mean There.

"I say, Uncle Jack, I dreamed you gave me half a crown last night."

"Did you, me boy? Well, you can keep it."—London Tatler.

The wise man should be prepared for everything that does not lie within his control.—Pythagoras.

Sameness is the mother of disgust; variety the cure.—Petrarch.

## A WEIRD RACING TALE

How a Horse That Couldn't Run Came In a Winner.

PULLED OFF AT GUTTENBERG.

The Story of the Way That Jockey Hugh Penny Repaid an Impecunious Owner Who Had In Days Gone by Helped Him on In His Career.

St. Louis, long a center for merry-go-round tracks, having at various times fostered the East Side, Madison, Sportsman's park and South Side tracks, has had many a weird racing tale unfolded upon it. Stories of horses at the night track being run in on the last lap under cover of semidarkness and the like have been common.

Here's one, however, that comes from the days of the old Guttenberg course, which seems able to hold its head up in almost any disreputable turf company.

When prosperity commenced shining on the Gut a little fat faced jockey, began to attract the attention of men who wanted to get their horses home in front. He was quick at the post, had fair judgment, did not know what fear was and was willing to take all sorts of advantages, whether fair or not. This was Hugh Penny.

Penny had another virtue that is rare in jockeys in these days. He was grateful. When he was making a reputation a certain owner went out of his way to give him a mount.

This was the making of the jockey. The experience he got on this man's horses taught him a whole lot, and finally his services were in such demand he was able to pick his own mounts. Money was flowing into his pockets. He wore diamonds, drove fast trotters and was one of the few visitors to the hill able to afford fur overcoats.

In the meantime the man who had given him his start had fallen into a rack and could not win a race. He owed every one who would trust him, the feed box was empty, and his stable consisted of one plug that could run a bit in the mud, but on a fast track couldn't beat a ten-year-old maiden.

This was the state of affairs when one night after the races he approached Penny and asked him to ride his horse in a six furlong race the next day. "What's the use, Bill?" asked the diminutive jockey. "He can't run fast enough to keep himself warm."

"You're right, Jock, but I've just got to take a chance. I'm down and out, and it is possible the old horse will be lucky enough to squeeze into third money."

The next day came. There was a fog surrounding the course that you could cut with a knife. In fact, it was so bad a bugler went to the post with the horses and with a loud blast announced when the flag fell. There was not a foot of the track that could be seen from the grand stand, and the judges had to leave the stand and go out on the track to tell which horse had won.

As Penny was mounting his horse in the paddock he was greatly excited. "How much have you bet?" he asked the owner.

"Not a cent, son," was the reply. "I haven't got a cent to bet with, and besides, the old horse can't win."

"Yes, he can," said Penny. "He'll win by a block. Here's a hundred. Hurry up and get it down."

The hundred was bet, and the horses went to the post. In a few moments there was a loud blast of a bugle, and the race was on. It was a half mile track, you understand, and the start was about where the mile and a quarter would be on a full mile track. In a few seconds the splash of horses' feet could be heard from the grand stand and a few shadowy forms were passing along the stretch. Then everything was silent until again came the faint patter of horses' feet. These grew louder and louder until finally they were right in front of the stand. Then it was seen that one horse was ten to fifteen lengths in front of the field. In a few moments it was announced that Penny's mount was the one that was so far in front, and the race was given to him.

Penny dismounted and made his way back to the paddock. He did not have a speck of mud on his clothes.

"The old horse was a runner today, wasn't he, Jock?"

"Runner nothing," answered Penny. "Why, he couldn't run fast enough to heat me."

"How in blazes did he manage to beat that field, then?" was the query.

"He didn't," replied Penny. "I stood still when the flag fell, and when I heard the field coming after making the circuit of the track I drew the whip on the old dog, and even then it was all he could do to get home in front."

And that was one way of winning races at the hilltop track.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Antiquity of Slavery.

Slavery is pretty nearly as old as the race. It began so far back that the memory of man, assisted by the still greater memory of history, can recall no time when it did not exist. It would be difficult to say who were the first slaves. In all the nations around the Mediterranean, where civilization is supposed to have started, the institution began early to flourish and held on right down through feudalism to modern times.

Meet the pessimist with a smile. It is his worst medicine; but, bitter as it is, it usually does him good.—Oklahoma State Capital.

Followed Instructions.

Mudge—This watch has been stopped for two or three days. Jeweler—Lemme see it. There is nothing the matter with it except that it has not been wound. Mudge—I thought maybe that was it. I remember you told me to wind it up just before I went to bed, and I haven't been to bed for three nights.

Physiology.

A pupil in a school near Chatham square, New York city, thus defined the word "spine": "A spine is a long, limber bone. Your head sets on one end, and you set on the other."—Lippincott's Magazine.

Hard to Suit.

"When your mother-in-law fell into the water, why didn't you help to get her out?"

"My dear madam, you must know that nothing I've ever done has pleased her!"—Judy.

#### Making a Dew Pond.

There is still in England at least one wandering gang of men who will construct for the modern farmer a pond which in any situation is a sufficiently dry soil will always contain water—more in the heat of summer than during winter rains.

According to an account given by A. J. and G. Hubbard and published by Longman's, this water is not derived from springs or rainfall, and is speedily lost if even the smallest rivulet is allowed to flow into the pond.

The gang of dew pond makers commences operations by hollowing out the earth for a space far in excess of the apparent requirements of the proposed pond. They then thickly cover the whole of the hollow with a coating of dry straw. The straw in its turn is covered by a layer of well chosen, finely puddled clay and the upper surface of the clay is then closely strewn with stones.

Care has to be taken that the margin of the straw is effectively protected by clay. The pond will gradually become filled with water, the more rapidly the larger it is, even though no rain may fall. If such a structure is situated on the summit of a down, during the warmth of a summer day the earth will have stored a considerable amount of heat while the pond, protected from this heat by the non-conductivity of the straw, is at the same time chilled by the process of evaporation from the puddled clay.

The consequence is that during the night the moisture of the comparatively warm air is condensed on the surface of the cold clay. As the condensation during the night is in excess of the evaporation during the day, the pond becomes right by night gradually filled. Theoretically, we may observe that during the day, the air being comparatively charged with moisture, evaporation is necessarily less than the precipitation during the night. In practice it is found that the pond will constantly yield a supply of the purest water.

The dew pond will cease to attract the dew if the layer of straw should get wet, as it then becomes of the same temperature as the surrounding earth and ceases to act as a non-conductor of heat. This practically always occurs if a spring is allowed to flow into the pond or if the layer of clay, (technically called crust) is pierced.

#### Lonely Pacific Islands.

Which is the loneliest, most desolate and most inaccessible island on the face of the globe? Many people would doubtless plump for one of the Crozets, which were recently brought into notice owing to the wreck thereon of the Norwegian exploring ship Catherine, and the subsequent rescue of the castaway crew by the Turakina, a British steamer dispatched from Cape Town for that express purpose.

But Hog island, the westernmost of the group, and the one whereon the wrecked men spent most of their time, is by no means an undesirable place of residence, abounding as it does, in hares and rabbits, penguins, albatrosses and sea elephants.

Heard island, on the same seas, is far more isolated, as well as more barren; but it possesses, as does Hog, a shelter hut for castaways, and it is visited by whalers occasionally. So, too, is South Georgia, but it is out of the track of shipping, anyone unlucky enough to be cast away thereon would stand a very poor chance of ever getting off alive.

Houvet island, in the same seas, is visited even more rarely, and on the last occasion when a ship touched there five corpses were found frozen on the beach, grim mementoes of some unrecorded tragedy of the sea. Possession island, in its turn, is still lonelier and more inhospitable than Houvet.

But probably the palm in this direction, says the Baltimore Sun, must be ascribed to Dougherty island, on which, so far as is known, no landing has ever yet been effected. It has only been sighted twice in a century and is officially described in the British admiralty sailing directions as "the most remote and isolated spot on earth."

Physical Strength and Degeneracy.

Never in the history of the human race—not even in the gladiatorial days of Greece and Rome, when physical strength was worshipped almost like a fetish—has so much study been devoted to bodily development and well being. In spite of all this, however, we cannot shut our eyes to the fact that, wide medical reports, while the standard of health may be going up with the science of the people, it is steadily going down with others—in a word, that physical degeneracy is alarmingly on the increase.—Co-operative News.

The Wily Partridge.

Every creature has a wonderful faculty for determining at what distance a man or anything else is able to strike, its capacities in this direction being far more marked than many care to acknowledge. For instance, as firearms have been improved the keenness has become the watchfulness of partridges. They have not been slow to recognize the advantages which the modern chieftain affords the modern gunner.—London Mail.

Particular About Her Company.

"What's the matter? You look glum." "I made my estate over to my wife to save it from the creditors."

"Well, what of that?"

"She's sold it and gone abroad with the money. She says she can't live with a man who cheats his creditors."

—Slovo.

Still Worried.

"It used to worry me when the barber informed me that my hair was getting a little thin on top."

"But you got used to it, eh?"

"No. Now it worries me because he doesn't mention it. I must be getting old."—Philadelphia Press.

There is nothing so powerful as truth and often nothing so strange.—Webster.

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